

The True Northerner

PAW PAW, MICHIGAN

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It is perhaps unfortunate that the newly enfranchised voters at their first opportunity to exercise their right on April 7th, will be called upon to vote on so many different propositions. It will require some thought and study prior to election day, and a clear mind at the polls if they would express an opinion on all the propositions in accordance with their pre-election views. These lines are written in the hope that they may be of some benefit to the new voters. It might be said to that members of the fair sex are not the only voters in the land who may profit by pre-election instructions. In the first place it is highly important that every voter should decide with which political party they desire to affiliate. Then make a careful study of the various amendments and know for themselves which is the right side of the question and how to vote it. In Paw Paw township the voters will be presented with four ballots as they enter the polling place. One state ballot on which are the candidates for state office and county school commissioner; One State ballot on which are three amendments; One Township ballot on which are the nominees for township officers; One Township ballot on which is the township bonding proposition. These four ballots should be taken into the booth by each voter and disposed of separately and intelligently. For convenience in these so-called

instructions, take the state ticket first. It will have six vertical columns. The first column will contain the names of offices to be filled, the others will contain the names of candidates nominated by the various political parties in the following order:—Republican, Democratic, Prohibition, Socialist, Socialist-Labor. Under the vignette at the head of each column is a circle, and a cross in the circle at the head of any column, is a vote for that entire ticket. To split a ticket, a line should be drawn through the name of the person for whom you do not desire to vote, and a cross made in the square before the name of the person for whom you do desire to vote.

The state amendment ballot will contain three propositions as follows: At the top will be the "Good Roads" question, followed by the word "Yes" and "No" with a square after each word. A cross in the square opposite the word "Yes" will be a vote to authorize the legislature to bond the state for the building of good roads and enable Michigan to receive its money from the Federal government appropriated for that purpose; A cross in the square opposite the word "No" will be a vote against that proposition. The next amendment on this ballot is a question relative to the increasing or decreasing of Salaries of Public officials during the term of their office. This is also followed by the words "Yes" and "No". A cross in the square opposite the word "Yes" in this amendment will be a vote prohibiting the change in any way of the salary of any public official during the term for which he was elected. A cross in the square opposite the word "No" is a vote to leave the question as it is at present. The last amend-

ment on this ballot is the so-called "Wine and Beer" amendment. Like the others, this is followed by the words "Yes" and "No". A cross in the square opposite the word "Yes" is a vote to permit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away, bartering or furnishing of cider, wines, beer, ale and porter in this state. A cross in the square opposite the word "No" is a vote to keep the saloon from the state.

The next ballot will be the regular township ballot containing the names of the candidates of the republican and democratic parties. The names are arranged in two vertical columns the republican first, the democratic last. There is a circle at the head of each party ticket. A square in the circle at the head of either ticket is a straight vote for the entire ticket. A "Split-ticket" may be voted as outlined at the beginning of this article.

The last ballot is a small one relative to raising the sum of \$13,000 to construct a pavement from Gremps street on west Main, west to the village limits. This also is followed by the words "Yes" and "No". A cross in the square opposite the word "Yes" is a vote to make this needed improvement in the village of Paw Paw, and a cross in the square opposite the word "No" is a vote against this proposition.

This completes the list of questions on which the voters of Paw Paw township will have to vote on April 7th. After marking the various ballots, each must be folded separately before leaving the booth, so that the initials on the back will show when presented to election official for deposit in the ballot box. There will be two polling places. All persons living north of the Territorial road through the township are in precinct one and will vote in the Opera House. Those residing south of Territorial road are in precinct two and will vote at the Coterie Club house. The polls will be open from 7:00 A. M. until 5:00 P. M. Every person must register before he or she is a qualified voter, and there is yet one day in which to have your name registered with the township clerk. After tomorrow, Saturday, March 29, it will be too late.

In keeping with the movement started and endorsed by the Michigan State Teachers association, the teachers in the local schools have fixed the price of their services for the ensuing year at \$1,000 for high school teachers and \$800 for the grades. The Board of Education at a recent meeting voted to tender renewal of contracts at \$900 for high school teachers and \$712.50 for grades, and if we are correctly informed, the teachers decline to consider renewal of contracts at those figures. The situation does not present a pleasing aspect, and it is to be sincerely hoped that the differences may be adjusted in some manner which will be satisfactory to both sides of the controversy. As stated in these columns in a recent issue, Paw Paw schools never had a stronger faculty, or a more satisfactory and prosperous school year than the present one. The Board of Education have shown their appreciation of the excellence of the present force, by the substantial increase voted in tendering contracts for the ensuing year. They realize the advisability of retaining good teachers if possible, instead of taking chances with new and inexperienced ones. They are also cognizant of the constantly increasing tax rate, and will so far as possible protect the tax payers of this district from unnecessary expenditures. They are all business men with the interest of the school and the community at heart and are disposed to do the fair and equitable thing. No one can censure a teacher or an employee in any line of work, for demanding a wage scale in keeping with the amount paid for similar work in other communities; but there are always many things for a teacher to consider in changing from one school to another, even at a slightly increased salary, and it would seem that the teachers should consider the question well from every angle before issuing a definite and absolute ultimatum. There should now be some middle ground on which the teachers might meet the Board of Education in a compromise which would be satisfactory to both sides of the controversy, which would eliminate all uncertainties for the coming year, and insure the present efficient corps of teachers. Think it over.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Christian Endeavor 6:00 P. M.
Union service 7:00 o'clock M. E. church.

Let every member of this church be present for all the services next Sunday.

Next Sunday evening Rev. James C. Brown will preach at the Union services to be held in the Methodist church. The subject will be "The Reality of Sin". There will be plenty of good singing. Let's all go.

S. D. A. CHURCH

Sabbath School 10:00 A. M.
Sabbath Worship 11:00 A. M.
The regular Sabbath Discourse will be delivered by Pastor Ice. Let all be present on time.

Meeting Sunday evening. Subject: "What was abolished by Christ." Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30. Pastor, Orva Lee Ice.

Almena Pickle Growers ATTENTION

We promised the committee of five men you sent over to see us last spring that we would establish a receiving station in Almena for the 1919 season.

That station has been established with Mr. Fred Hoodemaker as local manager. He is now writing pickle contracts and will receive the pickles at his farm during the picking season, paying the Almena growers CASH ON DELIVERY. If you have not seen Mr. Hoodemaker and desire to raise pickles the coming season, please see him at once.

Miller Brothers Pickle Works

Paw Paw,

Michigan

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Paw Paw, Michigan

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As I Have Rented My Farm will Sell at Farm 5 Miles South and 1-4 Mile West of Gobles or 5 Miles North and 1-4 Mile West of Paw Paw, on

Wednesday, April 2d, 1919

Commencing at 12:30 o'clock sharp, the following described property:

HORSES

Black Gelding 14 yrs. old, weight 1200
Brown Gelding 7 yrs. old, wt 1500 better

CATTLE

7 head 2 year old Durhams

FARM PRODUCE

About two tons of Hay
About twenty-five bushels of Oats
Thirty Crates
Twenty-five Grain Sacks

FARM IMPLEMENTS

Disc Harrow
Side Delivery Rake
Lever Spike Tooth Drag
Two Spring Tooth Drags
Oliver Riding Plow
Oliver 43 Plow
Planet Junior Cultivator
Two-Horse Cultivator
Osborne Mower
Shovel Board
Double Box and Spring Seat
Stock and Hay Rack
Set of Heavy Harness
Heavy Single Harness
Melot Cream Separator
Set Dump Boards
Many other articles

Hay Tedder
Dump Rake

Set Sleighs

Top Buggy
Wagon

Some Chickens

TERMS OF SALE:—All items of \$10 and under, cash. On sums over that amount, six months time will be given on bankable notes with interest at 7%.

F. E. GORTON, Prop.

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